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November 15, 1994

Mr. Dion Novak
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region V
77 West Jackson Boulevard
HSRL-6J
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Subject: Enviro-Chem Superfund Site
Monthly Progress Report Number 15
October 15, 1994 through November 14, 1994

Dear Mr. Novak:

Enclosed is the subject progress report. A copy of the report has been submitted to Mr. Tony Likins at IDEM.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark J. Dowiak". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mark J. Dowiak
Project Manager

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Enclosure

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Memorandum

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TO: Tony Likins, IDEM
Dion Novak, U.S. EPA

DATE: November 15, 1994

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This Monthly Progress Report has been prepared in accordance with Section XII of the Consent Decree entered September 10, 1991, Number 83-1419 C, U.S.D.C. District of Indiana.

Activities

A site inspection was conducted by QEM on October 4 prior to start-up of site maintenance work on October 12. A followup inspection was performed on October 22, 1994. The Enviro-Chem Trustees authorized QEM to subcontract site maintenance work to O&M, Inc. The following work was performed by O&M, Inc.:

- About 90 percent of the silt fence west of the north gate was reinstalled.
- Vegetation in the diversion channel was cut and stacked on the channel banks.
- The clogged culvert at the northwest channel was cleaned out. The soil and debris were placed on plastic sheets within the support zone.
- Hay bales were placed in the diversion channels.

The northwest corner fence post is expected to be repaired by mid-November.

On November 2, 1994, U.S. EPA provided the Trustees with written comments on the Draft Evaluation of Alternatives Memorandum, July 1994 and the Draft Revised Remedial Action Preliminary Design (30 Percent) Report, July 1994. The Trustees intend to submit a revised Evaluation of Alternatives Memorandum to U.S. EPA by December 2, 1994,.

With respect to the Preliminary Design and the Evaluation of Alternatives, the Trustees and U.S. EPA are to meet on November 23 to discuss the U.S. EPA comments. A schedule for submitting a revised Preliminary Design will also be discussed at that time.

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Activities to be Conducted from November 15 through December 13, 1994

A site inspection and the remaining site repair work (as noted above) will be conducted by QEM in mid-November.

A supplemental site investigation will be performed by AWD in the southern concrete pad area during the week of November 14. U.S. EPA verbally approved the investigation on November 14, 1994. The objective of the investigation is to obtain additional data on the soil conditions and the ability to excavate 9 feet beneath the concrete pad. Three wellpoints will be placed into the confined aquifer to measure the potentiometric surface in the vicinity of the proposed soil excavation.

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